

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

OCTOBER 16, 2007

On October 12, 2007, an accident which occurred on the Santa Clarita Interstate Freeway in Los Angeles County resulted in the loss of life and property. The disaster site remains unsafe and a risk to the safety of recovery, law enforcement, and other personnel. This disaster has also had a negative impact on businesses and individuals who rely on this major transportation route serving the north County. Economic assistance is necessary for those businesses and individuals who may not be able to recover from this disaster. These conditions necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency within Los Angeles County.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors ratify the attached proclamation of a local emergency made on October 14, 2007, for the Santa Clarita Interstate Freeway accident in Los Angeles County on October 12, 2007. This proclamation shall remain in effect until its termination is proclaimed by the Board. Approve and direct the Chairman to sign, upon Board approval, the attached proclamation of a local emergency for Los Angeles County. Forward a copy of the proclamation to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency throughout Los Angeles County. Forward a copy of the proclamation to the Director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services with the request that the

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Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law. Direct the Executive Officer to place on the Board's agenda a review every two weeks of the need to continue the emergency proclamation while emergency restoration actions are being taken. The impacts of this disaster will require an assessment of the impacted site to ensure the safety of all recovery, law enforcement, and other personnel as repairs are being made and for ongoing investigations. Alternate transportation routes, which have been identified, will remain negatively impacted until repairs and reconstruction to the site have been made and the routes reopened. Economic assistance is necessary for those businesses and individuals who may not be able to recover from this disaster. Once the cause(s) of this tragic accident has been identified, mitigation measures must be made to avoid a reoccurrence of such an event in the future.

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10-16-07 Santa Clarita Interstate Freeway Accident